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SUBJ: TRILATERAL MEETING

1. IN MY MEETING WITH FAHMY YESTERDAY, HE AGAIN EXPRESSED PLEASURE AT THE OUTCOME OF THE TRIPARTITE TALKS. HE ASKED IF I HAD SEEN THE COMMUNIQUE ISSUED AT THE END OF THOSE TALKS AND WHAT I THOUGHT OF IT. REFERRING TO THE PARA THEREIN ABOUT "CONTACTS AND COORDINATION WITH OTHER ARAB STATES," HE EXPLAINED THAT THIS LANGUAGE HAD BEEN USED, HOPEFULLY, TO PREPARE FOR FUTURE QUADRIPARTITE TALKS WITH JORDAN. EGYPTIANS AND SYRIANS HAD WANTED TO MENTION JORDAN BY NAME. QADDUMI HAD NOT BEEN OPPOSED IN PRINCIPLE TO SUCH A MEETING, BUT INSISTED HE WAS NOT AUTHORIZED TO APPROVE IT. INSTEAD, QADDUMI SUGGESTED THERE SIMPLY BE AN EGYPTIAN-SYRIAN-JORDANIAN MEETING, WHICH WOULD BE AGREEABLE TO THE PALESTINIANS. THIS HAD BEEN UNACCEPTABLE TO BOTH FAHMY AND KHADDAM, WHO WANT PALESTINIANS AND JORDAN IN. ACCORDING TO FAHMY, QADDUMI IS NOW GOING BACK THE PLO EXCOM AND REPORT ON THE MEETING. FAHMY HOPES THAT PLO EXCOM WILL APPROVE PROPOSED QUADRIPARTITE MEETING WITH JORDAN AND THAT SUCH A MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE IN DAMASCUS AFTER HIS VISIT TO MOSCOW.

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2. THE SYRIANS, EH EMPHASIZED, HAD BEEN "100 PERCENT" IN AGREEMENT. HE AGAIN EXPRESSED PERSONAL SATISFACTION

THAT THE TRIPARTITE MEETING, AS HE SAW IT, HAD BEEN A SUCCESS AND ARGUED THAT IT AGAIN UNDERSCORES THE PRIMARY ROLE OF EGYPT IN THE ARAB WORLD. THE IRAQIS AND LIBYANS MIGHT BE UNHAPPY ABOUT THE TRIPARTITE MEETING, BUT ALL OTHER ARAB STATES WILL IN HIS VIEW BE PLEASED WITH IT.

3. ON ANOTHER MATTER, FAHMY SHARPLY CRITICIZED JORDANIAN ARMS SALE TO RHODESIA, STATING RIFAI HAD BEEN FOOLISH PUBLICLY TO TRY TO DENY THE TRANSACTION. JORDANISNS, HE STATED, HAD IN OCTOBER, 1973 PLEADED INABILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN HOSTILITIES DUE TO LACK OF EQUIPMENT. NOW THEY ARE SECRETLY SELLING TANKS.

4. COMMENT: MY MEETING WITH FAHMY TOOK PLACE PRIOR TO THE THE JORDANIAN ANNOUNCEMENT OF TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF ITS PARTICIPATION IN THE GENEVA CONFERENCE BECAUSE OF DISPLEASURE WITH COMMUNIQUE LANGUAGE RE PALESTINIAN REPRESENTATION. WE ARE REPORTING SEPARATELY OUR ANALYSIS OF EGYPTIAN STRATEGY IN THIS MATTER.
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